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LEIF BERGMAN of Sweden thinks he can answer the question, posed by the authors, in the concluding paragraph to the articles. The question concerned the illustration - Figure 8 - on page 24 of Bulletin 307.

Leif believes the 'other' perfin in the illustration is part of Cooks SINGAPORE date punch. Thos Cook and other travel agencies used such punches to date tickets. In this instance it was probably used on the back of a card or cover with the illustrated stamp in fig 8 on the other side of the card and so the punch just happened to hit the stamp as well. He thinks it would look something like this:-

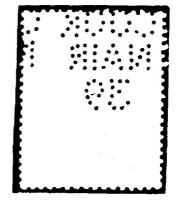
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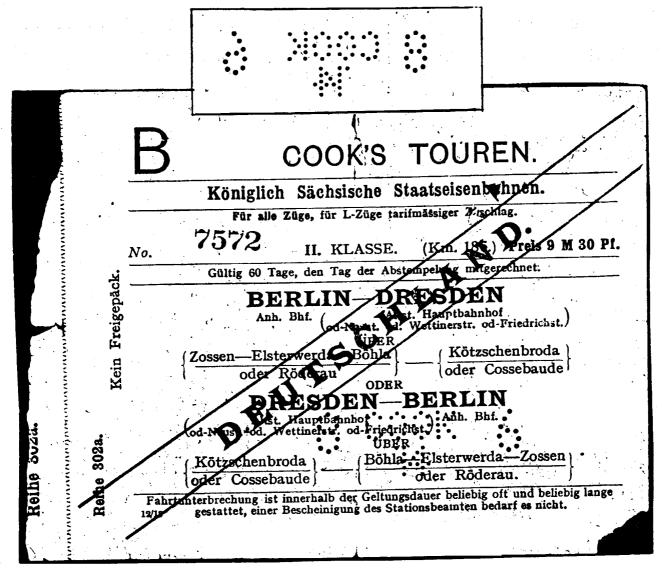
He has a KUT stamp with a similar perfin obviously used in Nairobi 1939. It is probably a true perfin-use as it has parts from two perfins and would

otherwise show the date it was used.





The Austrian perfins illustrated at 44 to 47 (Page 23) are similar to this one. This illustration of the date stamp on an old ticket for travel from Dresden to Berlin shows the full use - dated 8-6-14. Unfortunately there is no indication on the ticket of the branch office where it was issued.



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